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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, UNGA

SUBJECT: 33RD UNGA: MILITARY EXPENDITURE LIMITATION  
AND REPORTING (MEL/R)

REFS: (A) USUN 3508 (B) STATE 217721

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1. SWEDISH UN DELOFF (BERG) HAS INFORMED USUN THAT,  
DESPITE DISAPPOINTMENT OVER RECENT FAILURES BY UNGA'S  
TO MOVE FORWARD ON MER, SWEDEN WOULD STILL LIKE TO SEE  
UN MANDATE PILOT TEST OF STANDARD FORMAT FOR MER AS  
DEVELOPED BY SUCCESSIVE UN EXPERT GROUPS. HOWEVER,

SWEDISH DELOFF WAS UNAWARE WHETHER GOS INTENDS TO SPONSOR SUCH RESOLUTION AT 33RD GA OR TO PROMOTE LDC PARTICIPATION IN TEST. SWEDISH DELOFF UNDERTOOK TO QUERY STOCKHOLM ON THIS AS WELL AS POSSIBLE PROPOSAL THAT GA MANDATE VOLUNTARY MER. (REF A NOTAL).

2. IN VIEW OF SWEDEN'S CRITICAL ROLE AMONG NON-ALIGNED ON MEL/R ITEM, WE PREFER IF POSSIBLE TO HAVE BENEFIT OF GOS ASSESSMENT OF GA PROSPECTS BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH CONSULTATIONS ELSEWHERE (REF B). ALSO ADDITIONAL EXPRESSION OF US INTEREST IN SUCCESSFUL UNGA OUTCOME ON THIS ITEM, COMBINED WITH IMPLIED DEFERENCE TO SWEDISH LEADERSHIP, MAY SERVE AS SOME STIMULUS TO EARLY DECISIONS BY GOS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, EMB STOCKHOLM IS REQUESTED TO INQUIRE WHETHER SWEDEN INTENDS TO OFFER GA RES ON MEL/R. HAS GOS SOUGHT OR DOES IT INTEND TO SEEK MEXICO'S CO-SPONSORSHIP. DOES IT CONSIDER SOME LDC COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN PROPOSED FIELD TEST WOULD BE MAJOR ASSIST TOWARD OBTAINING UN MANDATE; AND, IF SO, WHICH COUNTRIES ARE BEST PROSPECTS? EMB MAY OFFER TO SHARE US ASSESSMENT OF LEADING PROSPECTS (REF B, PARA D) AND INDICATE OUR DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUCCESS OF RES. EMB SHOULD ALSO SOLICIT SWEDISH VIEWS ON POSSIBLE TACTIC OF SEEKING UNGA MANDATE FOR VOLUNTARY NATIONAL MER AND PUBLICATION IN UN CONFIDENTIAL

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YEARBOOK (REF B, PARA 2 G). CHRISTOPHER

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